



Mr. Ward Points Out Fire Threat, Need For New Smoking Bans

By E. L. Ward, Executive Vice President

During the week of August 10 there were the usual number of fires throughout the country but two of them were particularly significant. Probably the most expensive industrial fire of all time occurred at Livonia, Michigan, on Wednesday, the 12th, causing complete destruction of the \$40,000,000 General Motors plant which was the sole source of Hydra-Matic transmissions for Cadillac, Oldsmobile, Pontiac and other General Motors cars as well as some of the independent makes. This fire was believed caused by improper use of welding equipment adjacent to a metal trough of cleansing fluid.

The overall effect of the fire was not just the loss of \$40,000,000 worth of plant and equipment but the harm caused the entire General Motors picture and its employees. It will retard for many months the sale of cars, cause the immediate lay-off of more than 60,000 persons, and it will have a far-reaching effect on a great many people, not only within the General Motors organization but in the plants of its suppliers (of which Sprague Electric is one) and the merchants and tradespeople in the town of Livonia and many other towns and cities whose manufacturing operations will be affected.

On Friday, August 14, we had a small fire of our own when spontaneous combustion occurred on Page 2

John Fabricius Is Named As Supervisory Engineer

John H. Fabricius has been transferred from the Production Department and has been named a Supervisory Engineer under Dr. Wilbur A. Lazier, Vice President and Technical Director of Research and Engineering. Mr. Fabricius assumed his new title and additional responsibilities August 27.

The Test Equipment section, which Mr. Fabricius has headed under Production Department cognizance, also has been transferred to the Research and Engineering Department.

This section, including both test equipment development and maintenance, will remain under Mr. Fabricius' direction, with Lee Hermansen as section head.

In his new position, Mr. Fabricius will be responsible for ceramic capacitor and printed circuit assembly at the Company's Nashua plant, with Louis Arnold as section head.

He is also to be responsible for ceramic capacitor assembly (except molded HV capacitors) and printed circuit assembly development and engineering activities which will be carried on at North Adams by a staff to be assigned shortly.

R. C. Sprague, Jr., Heads RETMA Sub-Committee

Robert C. Sprague, Jr., has been named again as head of the labor relations subcommittee of the Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association.

Announcement of the reappointment of Mr. Sprague, who is Director of Employee and Community Relations of the Company, was made last week in Washington.

The RETMA is the principal trade organization of the nation's electronics industry.

Employee Describes Scout Jamboree, Sprague Souvenirs

An interesting trip to California this summer was made by Mrs. Vivian Dale of Bathtub Assembly, and among the many interesting sights she enjoyed was the Boy Scout Jamboree which was in session at the time of her visit.

Held at Irvine Ranch, Santa Ana, California, the jamboree was attended by 45,000 boys and 5,000 leaders, representing every state and twenty three foreign countries. Mrs. Dale said the week was centered around camping activities and the sharing and exchange of ideas, opinions and personal items.

The boys lived in pup tents, swam in the Pacific, cooked their own meals and acquired new and lasting friendships. The entertainment was very colorful and very good.

A tent representing the beacon on Mount Greylock was the quarters of the five area boys who were selected for the trip. William Todt, Stan Baker and George Saylis of Adams, and Burton Richards and Francis Bissallion of North Adams made up the Berkshire contingent.

Leaving July 9 on a special train, the boys brought "swapping" articles with them which represented the county's industries. Among these were souvenir pencils from Sprague Electric Company.



Joel W. Pierce, far right, Western Electric superintendent, explains how Sprague capacitors are made to New England Telephone company officials L. R. Root, J. J. Smith, Edward H. Cafferty, Robert M. Hodgson and Charles N. Gallipeau (left to right).

Phone Company Officials Visit Western Electric, Praise Sprague Quality, Methods

Five New England Telephone Company executives were guests last Thursday on an eye-opening inspection tour of the Western Electric Department—where great quantities of telephone equipment components are made.

The tour was a good-will visit on the part of the telephone men to the Sprague personnel who work to supply them.

Touring the plant were Messrs. J. J. Smith, Pittsfield District manager of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, Robert M. Hodgson, North Adams district manager, L. R. Root, Pittsfield district traffic superintendent, and Edward H. Cafferty and Charles N. Gallipeau, both foremen of central office equipment installation.

All came away from the tour deeply impressed by what Mr. Smith termed "the size of Sprague's operations, the impressive methods used, and the efficiency of employees in the Western Electric Department."

Joel W. Pierce, Western Electric superintendent, conducted the party through the three-story operation at the Marshall Street plant.

The idea behind the good-will tour came early this month when the telephone company men, all of whom are playing a major part in the development of the North Adams district's new dial system, expressed a desire to see where Sprague components come from and how they are made.

They all had noticed large quantities of our capacitors and other products going into the installation of the dial system at the local phone company's new building.

Following their tour, the telephone representatives joined in stating that without capacitors—in production of which Sprague leads the world—there could be no modern communication industry as we know it.

Mr. Hodgson, whose position puts him in close touch with Sprague Electric, stated that he wished, on behalf of all North Adams telephone company personnel, to express appreciation for Sprague Electric's part in the telephone system.

The visitors all commented on how instructive the tour had been, and noted that they had been greatly impressed.

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Evening Electronic Courses Slated To Start This Month

A new series of evening electronics courses—covering a broadened field of instruction—is being offered this fall and winter by the Company.

The courses are open to all interested employees on a voluntary basis. They are designed to advance the individual's technical knowledge in subjects related to Sprague Electric's field.

The 1953-54 curriculum has been broadened considerably and will include a new course covering more advanced instruction than offered during last winter's initial series.

The program of instruction consists of a series of two-hour lectures twice a week for a period of 12 weeks. The entire program will be repeated starting in January.

Instituted last January, the courses have already graduated 70 persons.

The first course on this fall's curriculum is "Elements of Electricity," which covers the same basic material as was given last winter and spring in the "Elements of Radio" course.

"Elements of Electricity," will be given in two class sections, each limited to about 20 students.

Group number one will first meet Monday, September 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Marshall Street plant cafeteria, and thereafter every Monday and Wednesday for the twelve week period.

Group number two starts Tuesday, September 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria, and will meet every Tuesday and Thursday evening throughout the course.

Textbook for this course is "Elements of Radio" by Marcus and Marcus, and each student will keep his text permanently for his own reference library.

Instructing the "Elements of Electricity" course will be Mike Geruolo, Walt Lamphier and Thomas Richardson.

The second course for this season—designed to offer more advanced studies—is entitled "Theory of Capacitors," and is limited to 20 students. It will meet Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m., starting September 15.

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September Is The Month of Fairs In The Berkshire Hills; Barrington and Springfield Expositions Head The Parade

September is "Fair Time" in Western Massachusetts—and this year there is a continuous parade of them right through the month.

It's the time of horse-and-ox-draws, succulent preserves on display, poultry and cattle judging, horse racing, crocheted rugs, pumpkins and canned vegetables.

The country fair circuit gets its start this weekend at Blandford and works up to a climax in the next three weeks with the big Barrington Fair and Eastern States Exposition.

Fairs are right at home in our hills, for it was here that the idea of harvest-time expositions had its birth.

It was a time for celebration and pleasure at the end of the arduous agricultural season—a time to relax a little and to show off the results of the long summer's work.

History records that country fairs were born on a fall day in 1807 when a Berkshire farmer exhibited some fine new imported sheep on the Pittsfield village green.

His display met with such public favor that the Berkshire Agricultural Society was founded by popular demand and in 1811 the group held America's first organized country fair.

Nowadays the simple rural theme is overshadowed a little by midget auto

races, daily doubles, and movie stars—and even Howdy Doody competes for attention with old-time arts and crafts.

But the underlying feeling is much the same and each fair strikes its chord of nostalgia.

Each breathes new life into the homilies of work and thrift and pleasure at the end of long days of toil in kitchen and field.

Blandford's fair in the southwestern part of the state takes place Sunday and Monday, September 6 and 7. Starting the same day, but continuing until the 12th is the Three County Fair at Northampton.

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Mathews Is Elected To Safety Engineer Group

Arthur J. Mathews, safety engineer, has been elected to membership in the American Society of Safety Engineers.

Membership in the society is regarded as a high honor for safety personnel, and only those with 12 years of experience in the field or a college degree are eligible to join.

The group, with headquarters in Chicago, is affiliated with the National Safety Council. Its annual meeting is held each year during the congress of the Safety Council.

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EDITORIAL

A large measure of Labor Day's significance lies in the fact that it is typically—and almost exclusively—an American celebration. It is typical of American institutions because it recognizes the power and importance of the average man, whose daily labor forms the muscle and backbone of our national stature.

Such recognition of the dignity and high place of labor has been typical of America since earliest times, and was noted prominently by those who founded the republic.

Our Declaration of Independence and the Constitution itself both spell out with force and clarity a recognition of the average man's rights and important role in the nation's business.

Labor Day is typically American in that it is an orderly and happy occasion when industry, business and government join with labor in celebration of mutual achievements and aims.

As such, the day stands in sharp contrast to other so-called labor "celebrations" of May First in many other lands—when rioting, bloodshed and grief are the only end-products of the "holiday."

Labor Day is almost exclusively American because it had its inception here, and with the exception of Canada, is celebrated nowhere else on the first Monday of September.

The holiday stems back to the 1880's when the Knights of Labor, an early New York labor group, chose the first Monday of September for an annual parade and celebration.

Other groups throughout the country followed suit, and in 1894 Congress passed legislation making the day a legal holiday for national recognition of the average man's great role.

This Labor Day, as we reflect on the fruits of our labors, we take pride in our relative position with those who work in many other parts of the world.

All of us know that Americans, because their jobs are more productive, own more homes, automobiles, radios, television sets—own more of virtually everything—than any other people.

Continuous investment by management has meant a constant improvement in tools, machines, methods and working conditions, all for the betterment of the average man's living standards.

In turn, better and more conscientious use of the improved tools and machines on the part of employees, means more productivity, better wages, and more buying power.

Our superior position is forcefully shown by comparing what our hourly wages buy with what they buy in other nations.

To purchase a pair of nylon hose, for instance, the American woman works 30 minutes. In Russia, it takes almost fourteen full hours, and in France more than two hours.

This eye-opening comparison of buying-power superiority holds true for virtually every staple commodity and desirable luxury.

We are fortunate indeed to be Americans this Labor Day.

Recognizing our good fortune and pulling together on the management-employee team which makes our good life possible means happy Labor Days for the future.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Polmatier of 55 Hawthorne Avenue have announced the engagement of Mrs. Polmatier's daughter, Miss Shirley Farnum, to Fred Martin of 341 Ashland Street. Shirley works in Paper Rolling. The wedding will take place in October.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Singer of 169 Grove Street, Adams, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Denise Singer, to William Moncecci, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moncecci of 19 Brown Street, Adams. The wedding will take place October 3 at Notre Dame Church. Denise works in Final Soldering.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph J. Heideman of 90 Natural Bridge Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn, to Frederick Lee Mendel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Mendel of 30 Leonard Street, Adams. Lee and Evelyn both work in the Research and Engineering Department. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Zappone of Reservoir Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Elizabeth Ann, to Sergeant Donald D. Gagne of Fort Devens. The wedding will take place October 24 at St. Anthony's Church. Elizabeth works in Metal Clad.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Blair of 9 Magnolia Terrace have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lillian Blair, to Emery LeClair, son of Mrs. Rose LeClair of River Road, Clarksburg, and Joseph LeClair of 43 Ashland Street. No date has been set for the wedding. Lillian is in Dry Tubular Assembly.

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bustion started a blaze in the coal hopper of the Marshall Street boiler house. This fire was brought under control by the North Adams Fire Department which showed excellent skill in handling a difficult situation. It was a serious enough situation to cause us some concern as we all can easily visualize how far-reaching the effects of the fire would have been if our boiler house supplying both the Marshall Street and the Brown Street plants had been seriously damaged. This type of equipment is not easily replaced and a serious fire would have brought about the same type of result on a smaller scale as occurred in Livonia, Michigan.

The Company has been aware of the considerable fire hazards that exist in our North Adams operation, particularly in our Marshall Street plant, where a large fire would be very hard to control. About a year ago we acquired a man who had had considerable experience in the Factory Mutual organization and since then have been studying the problem and taking corrective measures. While it is not related to the boiler room fire, our greatest weakness is in ineffective and un-sound smoking regulations. In conjunction with the Training Advisory Committee a new set of smoking regulations is being prepared and after careful review by all elements of the organization we will hope to put these in force during the next 30 to 60 days. Because of the tremendous effect a serious fire would have on the Company, all of its employees, and the North Adams community and surrounding area, these new regulations will be of utmost importance to all of us.

The two fires of the week of August 10 should be sufficient warning to all of us to comply with the new smoking regulations when they are issued and to take every other possible precaution to prevent fires.

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES AND TRANSFERS

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Joseph Casuscelli
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Richard Morin

Molding

Neville Toye

Research and Engineering

David Withrow
Robert Heidman

Metal Clad Tubular Finish

Jean Kustra
Ellen DePaoli
Myrna Magnani

Dry Tubular Assembly

Beatrice Boccagni
Alice Dydowicz
Janet Farrell

Molded Tubular Final Solder

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Shirley LaBonte
Nancy Lahey

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Roma Wilson

Lorraine St. Cyr

B. Theresa Cuddeback

Bertha Therrien

Angela Senecal

Yvonne Boucher

Antonina Nadeau

Alice Beaudry

Laura Cloutier

Shirley Ponti

Ruth Caruso

Rita Sorul

Lily Bush

Round Midget Assembly

John D. Polucci
Doris Gifford

Molded Tubular Finish

Thomas F. McKeon Jr.
Anne Ciuk

A. C. Assembly

Joseph Mordeszewski

Small Order Sample

Alice Green

F.P. Cover Assem. and Ovens

Lola Dillon
Dorothy LeBeau

Centrifuge

Peter Pizzi

Networks and Filter

Lorraine Gilly

Resistors

Dwight Martin

Metal Clad Tubular Assembly

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Production Engineering

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Gondure Solomon

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LOG Reporter Gives Her Impression of Tanglewood Scene

(Dora Landry, LOG reporter for the Bathtub Assembly department at Beaver Street, attended the last of this summer's series of Berkshire Music Festival concerts at Tanglewood, Stockbridge. Here she gives her impressions of the world-famous musical center)

Having attended the last of the series of concerts given by the Boston Symphony Orchestra at Tanglewood, I am filled with a great sense of gratitude and contentment.

Once you pass the gates of Tanglewood you enter another world, a world of magnificent beauty and peace. Standing amid the pines you gaze at distant mountains, towering so majestically toward the heavens, as if to watch and protect the world below.

At the foot of these mountains nestles a peaceful, clear lake among the evergreens. You stand absorbed by this beauty until you are awakened by your companion, awakened to the fact that you really are alive.

Standing on a carpet of emerald green you are surrounded by pine trees, young and strong. Their fragrance fills the air and you have only to lift your eyes and behold a beautiful oak, with her leafy arms surely lifted in prayer. Beside her, dancing in the breeze, is a maple with limbs arched and curved into magnificent grace. She is performing a great dance. Beside her is an old elm, its limbs twisted and knotted by the winds and storms of the seasons. Yet, proudly she stands, as if well satisfied with what the years have brought. Many a weary soul has found peace and bliss beneath her cooling branches.

You must leave this beauty to enter a world of music, but before you leave you take one long look and ask, "Does this beauty exceed that above?"

You enter the music shed and are ushered to your seat. You look over your program and glance at the crowd, a crowd of thirteen thousand people from all parts of the world, from all walks of life.

The musicians take their places. Amid great applause Charles Munch enters, bows, turns to the orchestra, raises his baton, and a hush falls upon the crowd.

Then comes the music of the great masters, first so softly and so gently. ("What is this new and strange world you have entered?" You scarcely breath. "Is this real?" No, it is a story you are living, a love story translated into music by the master). The tempo quickens and becomes more carefree and exciting. (Love has been found and is magnificently wooed) and now the music reaches new heights, new splendor, new elegance (Love is won). Then, as in life, the music has moments of sadness and sorrow; but this passes and again glorious exciting melodies break forth, filling every heart with peace and gladness.

The concert has ended. Again great applause. The conductor leaves the stage. We cannot let him go. We must have more music. Again and again he is called back by our applause. He must leave, and slowly he walks from the stage, taking with him a vital part of you.

You leave the shed sad that it is over, but immediately you rejoice—for you are alive and in a world bathed in sunshine and beauty. You have but one desire, and that is to lift your arms with the oak and offer a prayer of thanksgiving that your Maker has seen fit to bestow such gifts upon his children.

Fishing Contest Entry From Frank Santelli, KVA

Frank Santelli, of KVA, Brown Street plant, has entered the LOG'S fishing contest with a seven-and-a-half inch rainbow trout that weighed in at .13 pounds.

While Frank's fish is no tackle-buster, it stands as good a chance as any other entry in the blind prize category.

In most categories, there is still time left to enter your catches and compete for the prize money. Take your entry for weighing-in to the judge at your plant.

Telephone Company's Officials Tour Plant

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pressed by Mr. Pierce and the illustrative explanation he had given of Western Electric production methods.

They also praised Sprague Electric's emphasis on quality in its capacitor production, remarking that highest quality and performance rating are necessary to telephone operation.

One "trouble spot" in a telephone installation, they pointed out, will usually be very expensive in terms of time, money and disruption of service. Hence, prime quality must be the standard in all installations.

Sprague's Western Electric products are manufactured under the highest standards of quality and subjected to rigorous testing before being shipped for use in telephone equipment.

Mr. Hodgson pointed out that by way of local history, the Sprague Marshall Street plant has a significant meaning for the phone company.

The first telephone installed in North Adams, he said, was in our plant, which was at that time part of the Arnold Print Works operation.

Sprague now is the largest telephone user in North Adams.

Next week, it is planned that a group of Sprague personnel, including several persons from Western Electric, will reciprocate the tour by visiting the new North Adams telephone exchange, which was built to house the dial system for this area.

There, the telephone company representatives will show them the intricate equipment and installation that goes into a dial conversion system.

The Sprague visitors thus will be able to see firsthand how many of their own products are used by the telephone company—and how vital a part they play in the great telephone company network.

The tour was arranged by Courtney W. Flanders of the Employee and Community Relations Department.

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Inge Kolterer Finds Haven Here After Flight From Nazis and Communists

"Americans do not realize the opportunities in this country, nor are they aware of the poverty and living conditions which exist in Europe."

These are the words of Inge Kolterer, the attractive young lady who fled the Nazis in her youth and has felt the breath of the Communists, and who is now working in the Miscellaneous Paper Finish Department at Beaver Street.

Many people think of Inge's life as interesting and exciting, and it was, but to Inge, it was at times terrifying.

She was born in Yugoslavia, where a great number of people of German descent had settled. Later, when World War II broke out, she and her family fled to Graz, Austria, about 80 miles from Vienna in the southeast part of the country.

It was in Austria that Inge developed and furthered her interest and appreciation of the fine arts. She attended a school equivalent to our colleges, specializing in ceramics, drawing, painting, textile design, and other applied and fine arts.

In Austria it is necessary for one interested in fine arts to attend a school such as this, for it is not possible to open a workshop without a master's degree. Inge went to school for about two years and in 1950 she left to find a job. Work is extremely difficult to find but she finally obtained a position in a workshop. The pay was so poor, however, that Inge could hardly afford to buy food with the salary she received.

It was then that Inge decided she would come to America. She put in an application through a Catholic welfare organization, and had to wait nearly a year for action.

This organization brings displaced persons free of charge to this country with only a stipulation that the person accept a job the organization has arranged.

Inge was placed in a doctor's home in a suburb of Philadelphia. She was to care for his children and do general housework. Usually the immigrant is required to stay on this first job for at least a year, but Inge was able to leave in about four months.

She first came to North Adams to visit her uncle, Carl Wutholan, who had been here about two years. She liked it so well that she decided to stay, and came to work at Sprague Electric in November, 1952.

Inge vividly remembers the bombing of her home in Austria during the war. Even now when a plane goes overhead, she is half-inclined to run and hide. Her father and brother were both taken prisoner and placed in a concentration camp. Her brother is now studying in Austria to become a lawyer.

People in Europe are very interested in Americans, says Inge, and almost everyone reads LIFE magazine. It seems impossible to these people that nearly everyone here owns a car. Many Europeans think we are being boastful until they see it with their own eyes.

Inge remarked that there is much more culture in Europe than in America. In her hometown, for instance, there was an opera house and two playhouses. Clothes and articles in general are very expensive in Austria and Inge was surprised to learn that we think prices are sometimes high here, for everything seems reasonable to her.

Inge's main interest lies in ceramics and painting and it is her greatest desire to have a workshop of her own someday. She visited the Philadelphia Institute of Art while in Philadelphia, but says, "There was just so much to see, that I hardly saw anything." She has also visited various shops around the Berkshires. Inge has done much work in ceramics in her uncle's workshop and would like some day to exhibit her ceramics.

It is our sincere wish that Inge's wishes for the future come true and that she will have the shop she so desires some day.

William A. Perreault Returns To Company

Airman 2nd Class William A. Perreault, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Perreault of 20 Bank Street received his discharge from the United States Air Force August 21, and has returned to his job with Sprague Electric.

Prior to his enlistment, Bill was employed for six months in the Foil Preparation Department at Beaver Street.

He received basic training at Sampson Air Force base and served with the Alaska Air command for about 18 months, returning last May for an assignment at Otis Air Force base.

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Bill back to civilian life. Bill began working August 27 in the Foil Preparation Department, his former job.

All-Sprague Links Tourney Scheduled For September 13

The second Sprague Electric golf tournament will be held Sunday, September 13, at Williamstown's Taconic Golf Course.

All male employees, regardless of whether they have played in the Company's golf league, are invited to compete. Prizes will be awarded in several handicap divisions.

The tournament, scheduled to start at 2:00 p.m., will be an 18-hole medal event.

Play will be divided into five handicap divisions, with assigned handicaps running from scratch to 45-plus for members of the Sprague League.

Non-league members who enter the tournament will compete under the U.S. Golf Association's Calloway handicap system.

Under this system, net scores are determined by deducting from each player's gross the total score for a set number of his worst holes. The higher his gross score, the more "worst" holes he may deduct.

Persons with league handicaps ranging from scratch to 20 will play in the tournament's first division; those with 21 through 31 will be in the second; those with 32 through 44 will be in the third; and those with 45 and up in the fourth.

The non-league members will comprise the fifth division.

Prizes will be awarded in each division, and there will be several "blind" prizes as well.

Persons entering the tournament must have their entries in the hands of the league's officers by September 10. The entry fee will be \$2.50.

Entries and fees may be turned in to Ralph Fressola, George Giroux, Walt Schroeder, Walt Rohane or Lou Vinclette, who also have a supply of entry blanks on hand.

The officers emphasize that entry fees must be submitted in person and not through the mails.

Wins Derby Prize

Bernard F. Belding Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Belding of 23 Northern Lights Avenue, won a flyrod for landing the largest fish, a nine-inch bullhead, in the fishing derby held at Bridges Pond in Williamstown Saturday, August 22.

About forty boys participated in the derby which was sponsored by Better Fishing, Inc., a non-profit organization, under the auspices of the Greylock and North Adams Sportsmen's clubs.

Bernard's father works in Sprague Electric in Research and Engineering.

Serviceman Home

Marine Sgt. Donald O'Keefe is spending a leave with his mother, Mrs. Bertha O'Keefe of 170 Union Street, after a year of duty in Korea.

Don, who worked in the Plating Department before his enlistment, served as a radio operator with the First Battalion, 7th Marine regiment. He was wounded in fighting around "Vargas Hill" and was awarded the Purple Heart. He also received the Korean Service Medal and the United Nations medal for his services in that area.

Know Your Foreman

Patience is a virtue well practiced by Z. Francis Czerwinski, foreman of the Resistor Department at Brown Street. Anywhere, anytime—Red always has a minute to listen to your problems and help you solve them.

Everyone knows Mr. Czerwinski as "Red". Although he smilingly claims his nickname stems from his temper, his dignified red mustache and hair appear to be more apt reasons.

Red has been employed with the Company for 11 years. He first worked as a tester, later was made Supervisor, and two years ago was appointed a Foreman.



Z. Francis "Red" Czerwinski

He was born in Holyoke, and spent his childhood days in an orphanage. When Red was 18 he joined Uncle Sam's Army and received his basic training at Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. Red was stationed in Texas and Georgia, and his last assignment was in Puerto Rico.

While in the Army Red married Marjorie Gay, a native of North Adams, in Champlain, N.Y. Marjorie returned to Puerto Rico with him. Later he was discharged with 14 years of service and the rank of Sergeant.

Because his wife was from North Adams, Red decided to settle here and on July 20, 1942 he started working in the Resistor Department, where he hangs his hat today.

Red was asked if he had any hobbies. He commented that he loved to swim and boat. Red has a rather interesting hobby in taking care of his summer camp at Woodford, Vermont. Two years ago he got a sudden urge to have a home by a lake—and the only way to fulfill this was to build it himself. Red admitted that he was not a carpenter, but he tried and was most successful.

One incident he cites to prove he was not an expert was that he built the inside walls before putting his ceiling in. Red claims by learning the "hard way", you will never forget what you did wrong and the next time you should be an expert.

Today Red and his wife have a beautiful 20' x 20'-4 room camp which is on the lake and a Pen Yan outboard motor boat parked in front. They stay at the camp not only during weekends, but quite often he and his wife travel to the camp after work and drive back in the morning in time for work the next day.

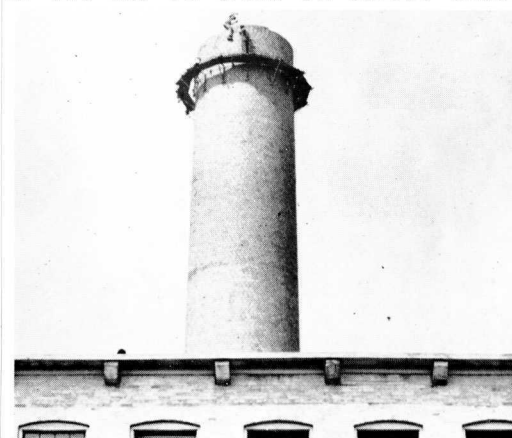
Mr. and Mrs. Czerwinski have a son, Howard, 19 years old, who is serving with the Air Force in Germany. Prior to his enlistment, Howard was employed in the Molded Tubular Test Department.

Red's brother and sisters have all moved to the Berkshires, having been convinced by Red that it is the ideal place to live.

Red is well thought of in his department, and employees testify he is a good sport, serious, helpful, understanding—and when it is time to have a party, he is always "game."

Mrs. Czerwinski owns and operates Marge's Beauty Shop here in North Adams. They make their home at 96 Veazie Street.

Iron-Nerved Men Go One Hundred Feet In The Air To Work On Smoke Stack



Just about two weeks ago three people arrived at the gatehouse at Marshall street and were ushered to the vicinity of the Machine Shop.

They were two men and a woman, representing the Heinicke Company of Indianapolis, Ind. and had driven in from North Carolina to repair the smokestack at the Marshall plant. What amazed everyone and caused no little excitement was the unusual and seemingly dangerous way in which they prepared for their work, as well as the appearance of a lady.

Paying no heed to the attention they attracted, the men assembled a ladder to the top by driving anchors at intervals up the chimney. This was done to insure a secure scaling ladder. Once on the top they tightened a cable around the stack and worked a platform around it.

Without safety belts or guard rails—and 100 feet in the air—the two workers removed the topmost fifteen feet of the stack. Thus lowering it, they proceeded to repair the remainder of the chimney which had been cracked and could have proved a future hazard.

At first all were under the illusion that the woman, Mrs. Cooksey, was a member of the crew and would work along with the men upon the staging. However, as the wife of one of the men she merely accompanies her husband on his journeys and keeps a constant vigilance on the two from her car.

Her husband has been doing this type of work on and off for twenty years and the other man, she believes, for even longer. They have worked on all kinds of obstacles and although ours is considered a high chimney they have worked on ones as high as 300 feet!

The Cookseys came from Cedar Hill, Tennessee, not far from Nashville. This kind of job has taken them to all parts of the country, and so they are extensive travelers. Mrs. Cooksey likes the North, but naturally prefers home. She enjoys the Berkshires as they serve as a reminder of the hills of Chattanooga, her birthplace.

The trio were at Sprague Electric for two weeks and from here they went to Dalton. After completion of a job there they planned to head south again, hoping to arrive in Tennessee before too long.

Know Your REPORTER . . .

The attractive woman seated at an eyelet machine in the Beaver plant is Gert Noel, an active member of the LOG staff and earnest contributor to your paper. Gert reports regularly for Art Spencer's department, Miscellaneous Paper Finish, and is Johnny-on-the-spot for bi-weekly news coverage.

Gert has been sending in news items since 1941. At one time, however, other responsibilities forced her to relinquish this duty, but she resumed it two years ago. She's fond of writing, she says, which is a reason for her enthusiastic efforts.



Gertrude Noel

She has achieved a service credit of sixteen years with the Company. Not all of these have been spent in the same capacity. In 1937 she began in the old P. A. A. where the principal paper condensers for Sprague Electric were made. After the war started her department switched to producing metal condensers. Gert made the change, too, and has been in Miscellaneous since 1941.

Born in Clarksburg, Gert has spent much of her life in that neighboring town, attending and graduating from the local schools there. She is now a North Adams resident and lives at 152 Liberty Street with her husband and two children.

Gert says that she has no particular hobby or talent. Sports do not interest her in the least. She does admit being fond of baking and cooking and we would anticipate that her household is accustomed to delicious and appetizing menus. We would believe that those eating her specialties are well rewarded.

Her husband has a camp in Somerset, Vermont, and the family spends many leisure hours there. Mr. Noel is an ardent fisherman and the site is an ideal spot for just that. Gert enjoys the camp, but also likes to do a little traveling. Her most recent trip covered 1400 miles. She hopes to do a little more before the summer is over.

Gert has two children, Clinton Hall and Marilyn Hall. Clinton, who will soon be a senior at Drury High, works for Cas Zienlak in Metal Clad Tubular Finish. Marilyn is employed at the A & P and will be a junior at Drury in the fall. Another member of her family, a sister-in-law, Vera Davine, works at Brown Street.

Gert really enjoys working for the Company and her service record proves that. She likes the people, the friendly atmosphere and surroundings. We are sure that her co-workers appreciate her smile, her winning ways and her concern and interest in the Company.

Evening Electronic Courses

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Employees desiring to enter this course must first have satisfactorily completed the old "Elements of Radio" or new "Elements of Electricity" courses.

Text for the course will be "Capacitors" by Brotherton, and students will be given their textbooks for permanent use.

Robert Sheehan will teach this advanced course.

An entry fee of eight dollars is charged each participant in the courses. The fee is payable at the first meeting, and those who satisfactorily complete the course will have their fee returned.

All courses are presented in lecture-and-diagram fashion and in an informal and friendly atmosphere. It is hoped that the instruction will aid participants in their daily work.

Applications for the limited membership are being received now and it is expected the quotas will be filled shortly. Anyone who applies and finds he cannot be accepted now may re-apply for the January series of courses.

Information on the series and application blanks may be obtained from foremen or department heads. The course is under the supervision of the Employe and Community Relations Department.

September Fairs

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Greenfield's Franklin County Fair is scheduled for September 13 through 16.

Also on the 13th, the 112th annual edition of the big Barrington Fair at Great Barrington gets under way. The exposition will run for eight days and nights, closing on the 20th.

Exhibits range all the way from knitting to vegetable canning, and time is set aside each day for judging entries in flower, seed, cattle, poultry, fruit and many other categories.

Horse-drawing contests are scheduled, as well as the traditional ox-drawing.

On September 20, the day the Barrington Fair closes its gates, the giant of them all, the Eastern States Exposition, opens its eight-day run at West Springfield.

Governors of the North Atlantic States will be on hand to salute the fair on Governors' Day, and even President Eisenhower is scheduled to make a speaking appearance.

Storrtown, a complete community of original colonial structures, will be open again at the exposition. Here, home exhibits, demonstrations and hobby shows are featured.

Golf League Draws To Close - Rockledge And Winged Foot At Top Of The Heap



Dave Peck, center, and Jack Washburn, right, check Paul Chittenden's form as they prepare for battle in the Sprague men's golf league matches at Taconic Club.



Checking the scorecard are Walt Schroeder, the golf league's low gross leader, Bernard Duval, George Giroux and Lou Vincelle. Walt, George and Lou are hard-working league officers.

Sprague Electric's summer-long golf league drew to a close last Monday with Rockledge apparently a cinch to take first place and Winged Foot all but certain of second.

Harry Kalker's Rockledge team needed to take only one-half point of the six being contested to wrap up first place honors. And Monday night's matches too late to be reported in this issue, pitted them against the cellar-dwelling Hershey outfit.

Winged Foot had a firm hold on second place but it did not look as if it could do the impossible and overturn Rockledge's hopes.

In the lower echelons, it was a real down-to-the-wire battle. Indian Creek and Shaker Ridge were almost equal average-wise going into the last night's matches as they battled for third place in the league.

For fourth place honors, three teams, Pinehurst, Pine Valley and Oakmont were battling right to the last hole. Hershey, far out of the running, was destined to take last place regardless of Monday's outcome.

After 13 out of the 14 scheduled matches throughout the season were finished, here is how the teams stood:

	WON	LOST	AVER.
Rockledge	54	24	.692
Winged Foot	48	30	.615
Indian Creek	41	37	.525
Shaker Ridge	40.5	37.5	.519
Pinehurst	37	41	.474
Pine Valley	35.5	42.5	.450
Oakmont	31.5	46.5	.403
Hershey	25	53	.320

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DEPARTMENTAL NEWS



Paper Rolling—Day Shift

by Rusty and Dusty

Hi everyone, we are your new reporters, Claire and Joan, better known as Rusty and Dusty, signing in. Vacation time is still in full swing in our department. The latest are: Evelyn Soule enjoying herself in Maine; Irene LeFleur at Niagara Falls; Florence Szafranski enjoyed a trip to Saratoga; Ethel Gilman is enjoying a motor trip to Georgia; Mary Valazza at New York City; Lena Solomon and Enis Montagna are motoring through New York State and Canada; Marion Falcon at home; Billy Morehouse spent his time at a lake in Vermont; Elinor Romeo is enjoying the sun down at Virginia Beach; Roma Sacco at home; Emma Pudlo at home, while Bessie Turgeon is waiting for Santa Claus to come before she takes her vacation. Gladys Chase had a very exciting experience while enjoying her vacation. While in Maine she received an invitation to a Radio Quiz program and was fortunate to win several prizes. For the first question, she received a rhinestone necklace and earring set. For the second question, she received two beautiful dresses. For the third question she got a two piece dress ensemble with matching shoes and hand bag. These three correct answers entitled her to the try jackpot question, and she won a Zenith portable radio. It is nice having you back with us, Pat Lord. Welcome to Betty Bliss, who is now working with us. Marcia Sweet has left us to go back to her old job in day rolling. Who owns the nickname "Blue Eyes"?

Sincere sympathy is extended to Frances Miles on the death of her father-in-law.

Impregnating

by Agnes Fitzgerald

Charles Roy vacationed in Springfield. Harvey Durant was in Saratoga. Joe Breda went to Amherst. Ray Miller traveled to Buffalo with his family. Henry Smith spent the week end in Hudson, New York. Francis Bennett has a new hobby, painting. Charles Roy is collecting stamps for his small daughter. Joe Downey and Eva Thibodeau have taken up gardening.

Bathtub Assembly

by Marie-Rose LaFlamme

Frances Roy spent her vacation in Virginia and New York City. While in Virginia she visited her son, Alfred Roy, Jr., better known as "Sonny". I'm sure he had a wonderful time for Fran is always happy when she is able to be with her sons. They are both in the Navy. Bill is stationed in Alaska now. We have received cards from Millie Bathaway, who is motoring to California, and they certainly make us envious. Lucille Falco has been in our department for the past month and she keeps us all in stitches. She certainly has livened up the place. Glad to have you with us, Lullu. Josie Sikorski's in-laws celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary August 23. A wonderful time was enjoyed at an open house. The big question is, who was celebrating, Josie or her in-laws?

Misc. Paper Finish

by Gert Noel

Roberta Booth has returned from vacation at her parent's camp in Becket, Massachusetts. Gert Noel and family spent four days at Old Orchard Beach, Maine. Happy Hadola attended a big league baseball game in Boston while on her vacation. Gloria Amos spent a weekend in New York State and toured Howe Caverns.

Metal Clad

by Veronica and Doris

The annual reunion of the spot welders of the Metal Clad Department was held at the home of Mrs. George Saunders in Williamstown, Wednesday, August 19. Refreshments were served by the hostess and an enjoyable evening was had by all. Robert Chalmers, supervisor of soldering in Metal Clad, enjoyed his vacation motoring through Maine. Dorothy Carden, supervisor of the stock room, spent her vacation touring the New England States with her husband, while their daughter Joyce was at Camp Eagle with the Girl Scouts.

Deepest sympathy from the whole department goes to Marion Duprea on the death of her father, Matthew Miles, and to Mrs. Geraldine Bessette on the death of her husband, Gerald.



Misc. Resistor Assembly

by Jean Levy and Rita Brooks

Marguerite Todd and husband, Jim, spent a week's vacation in Washington visiting their daughter Pat. Bobby Mantello spent her vacation moving into a new apartment. She also took some day trips. It seems a few girls in the Navy room gave Carl and Ralph a hard time, but they sure can take it. They are a couple of good sports. Anne Mariani has a new hair cut and it looks rather cute. Al Harvey, who says he lost ten pounds and feels just wonderful. Sgt. Joseph Danforth is at Camp Drum, New York with the Vermont National Guard. Lucky boy, two vacations in one year. Thomas DeSanti is spending his vacation in New York City. Tom says he will take in the sights and shows.

KVA Department

by Alma Pratt and Frank Santelli

We say good-by to Dot, Mary Sun and Claire Thomas, who have been transferred to Marshall Street. Good luck on your new jobs. Phyllis Santerre and Elinor Albozek enjoyed their vacation at home. If anyone wants to hear what happened in the office the day the girls took a puppy in to show him off, ask Sterl and Chuck. Your distaff reporter is working in Department 674 at present. I sure miss you, Santelli. Donald Klammer is now working in Centrifuge at Marshall Street. Who in our department is singing "All I want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth"?

Industrial Oil Rolling

by Erminia Sweeney

Any problems, girls? Just take them to Rose Dupre and Kate Patterson, the two "mothers" of the Industrial Oils

Rollers. Frances Pitoniak has returned from a happy vacation, with her husband and children. They burned the midnight oil at Atlantic City, New York, and Boston. What, no races! Congratulations to Rose Dupre, who is a new great grandmother, and a youthful looking one at that. Blanche Newlands says she spent her vacation at "Porch Beach". Rena Maroni spent her vacation at Ocean Beach, New London, Connecticut, and what a beautiful sun tan she is sporting! Francis Delisle, wife, and children spent two glorious weeks at Old Orchard Beach, Maine. He said it was so cold they lit a candle, and the flame froze, and they couldn't put it out. Alda Ariazi and her husband are touring the states. Dorothy Daunais is on a short leave. Mae Tyler spent her vacation at her new home. Rita Fournier with her husband and son, spent two weeks at camp.

Our sympathy goes to Alice Beauchamp on the death of her father and to Geraldine Bessette, a former co-worker, on the death of her husband.

KVA Stockroom

by Ace Samia

We have a new employee in our department and his name is Robert Gamari. We all welcome you to our department, Bob. We are glad Al Ferrara is back from his vacation and that he had a wonderful time. Jimmy Goewey and his wife left for a vacation in Bermuda. Al Giusti fared well at the races the other day. He won the daily double and others. "How do you do it, Al?" P.S. Your reporter knows you are a former jockey.

General Salvage

by Haf

Joseph Walczak, our utility man, is recovering from an emergency appendectomy operation. We hope you are feeling well and will be back soon. Frank Jones has returned from his vacation in Terre Haute, Indiana. He says he lost ten pounds and feels just wonderful. Sgt. Joseph Danforth is at Camp Drum, New York with the Vermont National Guard. Lucky boy, two vacations in one year. Thomas DeSanti is spending his vacation in New York City. Tom says he will take in the sights and shows.

Pilot Plant

by Della Smith

Mr. Harold Brafman and his family vacationed at the Cape. Anna Cronin, our new U.S. citizen, has only one comment, "It's wonderful." Ray Colo vacationed at Lake George. Dorothy Ghidotti went to Atlantic City; Slim Kenyon spent his two weeks at home; John Kryston motored out to Chicago and St. Louis; Leo Lussier went to Maine; Joe Dziok went to Boston; Della Smith went to New York City and attended a few Yankee games. (She says it's the best team in baseball—quoting H. E. Brafman, a true Yankee fan). Arlene Tatrow was in our department for a few days learning a new job. Joe Dziok is the proud owner of a 1953 Mercury. Dot Ghidotti and Della Smith went to Saratoga, but are still wondering if their horses were in the race. None seem to come in.

Industrial Oils Cover Assembly

by Florence Lang and Isabelle Witherow

Our supervisor Guido Libardoni's little boy must be a Marciano in miniature. See Guido for battle scars. Evelyn Therrien supervised the remodeling of her kitchen during her vacation when she wasn't at Saratoga. Mary Koczeza looks well rested despite the fact that she travelled to the Catskills, New York City and then to Fort Dix where she visited her son. Isabelle Witherow is quite concerned over the extra pounds she put on while at Niagara Falls but they are not noticeable. She insists she didn't gain them by overeating, blames them on "too much laughing." Katherine Marchio has overcome her reluctance to answer the desk phone. With her "honeysweet" voice she shouldn't mind. Claire Chicoine has a new definition for the word "moustache" but it's a ticklish subject by her dictionary. REQUEST OR WARNING to Aime Morin, Henry Armata and Alec Murach. The girls in this department are peace loving, and not lacking in music appreciation. They don't mind your whistling while you work. All they ask is "please, fellas, enlarge your repertoire." Not "Three Blind Mice" again, or else!

Cooler News

by Gert

Linda Cuzzaglio went to Boston to see her daughter Lucy during part of her vacation and spent the rest of the time at her camp in Cheshire. Connie Bush had a wonderful time at Wells Beach in Maine. Bernice Plantier has her new vacation outfit, but she will still be freezing. The cards that we had from Gladys Kirkpatrick were from Niagara Falls so we think that she took the long way around to Buck's County, Pennsylvania. We are glad to see that Ceil Bouchard is back with us again. Kenny Williams treated the girls on the late shift to pizza pie. The reserved section of the Cooler is no more. Vicky Bissailon, Dorothy Bastien, Bernice Brazeau and Martha Clark have been moved to other jobs, but are hoping to get back to their own corner in the "Gold Fish Bowl". At last Marion Bernat got her fill of baked clams. She and her husband went to the Cuzzaglio's camp for a clam bake supper and they really filled her up. We are planning to have our own art exhibit here in the Cooler. The baby sets that Thelma Bissailon makes are really beautiful. Evelyn Jones and Marion Bernat will compete in the rug making class, and Marguerite Walsh and Vicky Bissailon could easily take prizes with their lovely handkerchiefs. The rest of us will have to get busy and bring in our specialties. We would like to say Happy Birthday to Anne Heath, the reporter from Industrial Oils.

Special Order Assembly

by Marg Greene

Vacation time round-up: Nancy Puppello enjoyed a week at Hampton Beach. Agnes Houghton motored to Newport, Rhode Island, and the Narragansett raceway. Agnes' luck ran out and somewhere along the trip she lost her diamond ring. Millie Conroy and family received beautiful tans while at Myrtle Beach, Connecticut. What would vacation time be if Margaret Perrault didn't go to the home of her beloved Red Sox? She also spent time at Boston beaches. Alice Beer and Bell Dow continue to make frequent trips to Boston to visit

Bell's grandchildren. Grace Felix enjoyed staying home, being a full-time house wife and mother. Mary Cuzzaglio spent a week at Hampton Beach. Angie Pontiers' niece and nephews kept her busy with their outings at Windsor Lake. A motor trip to her favorite spot, Hyannis, and around the Cape, caused Lillian Pike to extend her vacation to rest up from her vacation. Carrie Ritcher, who is to be married September 12 to Francis Brazeau, our former co-worker, attended her first Brazeau family reunion at the Taconic Park. "Tiny" Yvonne Knights and her husband, Jimmy, are really getting around with their new car. Jim has recovered very nicely from his hand injury and is back at work in the Marshall Street plant. Sally Tallarico had a swell time opening day at Saratoga and although she wasn't very lucky, she still managed a shopping trip to Albany during her vacation time. Betty Kleiner took her four children along when she vacationed at Old Orchard Beach. Betty said it was a lot of work but vacationing is wonderful with the family. Dot DeGraff took her two children here and there and everywhere. The sun was mighty strong, judging from the sun tans. Everyone extends a welcome-back to Helen Bailey. Helen visited Maine during her leave and is now fully recovered from her injuries. Bart Mayo couldn't have been happier the week her grandson Billy Mayo of Springfield spent visiting at her Massachusetts Avenue home. The department grandmothers are quite proud of their children. Evelyn Liberti went on a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaulieu, Quebec, Canada. Gerry Delisle had a great time at Rye Beach, New Hampshire. Steffie Melillo, who recently celebrated her eighth wedding anniversary, enjoyed spending her time-off at home with her family. Tom O'Neil drove his family to Atlantic City. Next year Tom says he is going by bus. It's too much for one driver.

Industrial Oils

by Ann Heath

Our sympathy to Larry Hurlbut who is in the hospital. We hope you are feeling better and back home soon. It was nice seeing Larry Benson. Bill Spencer is spending two weeks in Chicago and Cass Strepzak just taking it easy in Adams. It was nice to see Ceil Bouchard back to work and looking so well.

Our sympathy goes to Alice Beauchamp on the death of her mother.

Final Soldering and Tin Dipping

by "The Busy Bees"

We are all glad to hear that Ruth Durant is home from the hospital and is getting along well after her recent operation. We miss you, Ruth. We have a girl on our line, not mentioning any names (Evelyn Waldern), who seems to be afraid of dogs. She gets a ride to work every day, but Saturday. On that day she tries hard to get a ride or someone to walk with her for protection. Last week she got her signals mixed up and had to walk so she carried her daughter's baton for a club. I wish those who read this and know about that black dog on River Street will tell her whether it is dangerous or not. Mary Fulginiti brought in a nice cake last week. More of them, Mary. Marion Andrew's husband, William B. Andrews Jr., was recently appointed County Commissioner. Congratulations. Margaret Cirone is still rooting

for the Yankees... Mary Collier was certainly proud of the snapshot of her new granddaughter in Texas... The mothers on the line are talking about getting their children ready to go back to school. Are they proud!... You would never know that Vivian Belanger and Agnes Rivers are on the line. They are so quiet... Sue Pollone is still watching the progress of the new bridge. She is getting a lot of kidding about it... Janet Cady introduced her laugh on the new line. What a laugh! Not another laugh like it... Irene Ser-venti vacationed at home recently.

Ind. Oils Final Assembly

by Belle Fuller

The shipping section gathered at the Trail Side recently for a steak supper. The steak certainly was enjoyed and also the group singing which included "Happy Birthday" to Harold Shore. Cecilia Maxymillian did a dance of the Charleston. Gus Boucher has a new girl friend, "Duchess" (of course we mean the dog at the Trail Side)... Bill Drury is back to work after his honeymoon... Frank Lineburry sold his Chrysler for a Mercury... Our Foreman, Bernard Fitzpatrick, is enjoying his two week vacation. Others on vacation are: Roma King, Margaret Maynard, Lillian Babcock, Ceil Maxymillian, Margaret Malone and Jack King... Some of our other co-workers who are back to work are: Laura Lanoue, Rose Favreau, Harold Shore and Dorothy Denault.

Wire Coating

by Corena Tatro

Vacations are almost at an end! This makes one feel that winter is not too far away... The first question everyone asked Ray Dickinson was, "Did you paint your house?" Ray only smiled and said, "I got some painting done." Ray's granddaughter spent the week at his home... We are sorry to hear that Ernest Gamache, Jr. sprained his ankle and he was unable to take a trip to Springfield... Betty Jangrow spent part of her vacation in Canada. While on her travels she visited St. Joseph's Shrine in Montreal and the famous St. Anne De Beaupre in Quebec. The weather was beautiful for such a wonderful vacation... Marty Kassner had a nice surprise. His Dad, C. E. Kassner and his sister, Mary, and her son, helped him to spend a pleasant vacation. They came from Abilene, Kansas... Peter Lepage spent his vacation at home with his family. Seems as though Betty Jangrow has been quite ambitious this summer working in her vegetable garden. That's what she thought it was going to be. Betty enjoyed her vacation touring parts of Canada. When she returned she took notice to see how her vegetable garden was coming along. What a shock she had! Sweet peas were growing in her vegetable garden—all different colors.



Ceramics Department

by Emma Maruco

Our department is getting back to normal now as most employes have had their rest and fun. Vacation time, that happy time... We find in the Ceramic Lab that Joe Venerus spent four days at West Dennis, Cape Cod... Frank Recny spent a week end in Milwaukee, Wisconsin... Karl Wutholen vacationed with his family at Syracuse, New York... Walter Estes was hospitalized and is now recuperating from his operation. We all wish you a speedy recovery and want to see you back with us soon... Irene Davis was congratulated

last week for getting her driver's license... Charles Sausville spent two weeks at camp with the National Guard of Bennington... Norma Dargis spent a day in Boston... The first person in the department to make an increase in her donation to the Sprague Benefit Fund was May Riordon. Nice going, May.

Research and Engineering

by Isabel Jensen

Nora Christie recently returned from an exciting vacation to Bermuda, very tanned and bursting with news of her trip... Jack Doyle enjoyed his vacation at Hampton Beach and also traveled up the Maine coast... Janet Lloyd recently returned from a two week trip to Chicago, where she visited her sister.

Tantalum Department

by Do & Lo

Stanley Ziaja, our Foreman, enjoyed a week at La Tuque, Quebec fishing. The only thing Stan caught were mosquitos... Hazel Daigneault, Lorraine DiLorenzo and Theresa King have a new addition to their family—Don't take us wrong—it's puppies... We all join in saying farewell to Lil Trimarchi. We'll miss you, Lil... We're glad to see Louis Floriani back again after his illness.

Purchasing Department

by Irene'n Lee

Shirley and Harold Rarick have a new 1953 fire-dome eight DeSoto in which they are going to Niagara Falls, New York to spend their vacation. It is a vacation, or is it a second honeymoon, Shirley?... Jim Oldham recently spent the weekend in Boston with friends and took in a baseball game... Romance is the word of the day in Purchasing. Have you noticed the light in Dolly Giroux eyes?... A party was given at Petey Dink's August 27 for Shirley David and Alice Foist. Shirley will be married September 5 to Louis Davis, and was presented a toaster. Alice is expecting an addition to the family and was presented a purse of money.

Dry Tubular Assembly

by Peg Champagny & Gladys Sullivan

Mary Scaia has returned from her vacation at Cape Cod; Ann Fortin spent hers in Nova Scotia; Rita Mineau enjoyed hers in Quebec, Canada... Della Biagini is back at work after being out on sick leave... Sophie Michalski and Rena Roy are still on sick leave... Irene Charron and her faithful old Ford have parted. Irene has purchased a new Chevrolet... We wish Claire Andrew's mother a speedy recovery from her recent operation.

Prokar Polyester Dept.

Reggie Rowett and his wife are back from vacation in Boston, where they took in a ballgame. Also, they visited Springfield... Dot Osborne and husband spent their vacation taking short trips around the Berkshires.

Filter and Network Development Section

by Julia Desrosiers

We wish Ralph McDonald loads of luck in his new work... We are enjoying the snapshots that our friends have taken on their vacations. Also the nice

cards we have received... Eloise Kaigle and Wayne Goman are enjoying their vacations... Everyone seems to have school days on their minds, and getting the children ready for school... We would like to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vallieres on the birth of a daughter.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Irene Babcock on the death of her grandfather.

Formation

by "Vol" Pinsonnault

What the wittle bird tole me—that Roland Perras is the hot-rodder in the department, and has done rather well at the State Line and Lebanon tracks. More speed to you, Roland... A hot-rod designer is Bernie Lancto, who, with a 1934 Ford frame and motor, has created, in my opinion, a car that appears to be a turtle. Has the speed of a jet—sounds like one too... Bob Bligh lives in a house that was built without nails—it seems that the entire structure is held together by wooden pegs and grooves. The framework that is... Babe Gilbert took a motorcycle trip to Maine and New Hampshire during his vacation... "Vol" Cloutier is a musician—inclined that is. Guitar, banjo and uke. Another one is Hank Williams... Ray Lemieux is another motorcycle fan and enjoys taking anyone for a ride. I'll never forget that trip to Ashfield, Ray. Wow!!! Me think me truck is better... We wish Dino Moncecchi loads of luck in his new work... John Zwerican is a most diversified person. He's a carpenter, mechanic, plumber and electrician... Larry Clark is the dramatic story-teller and Jim Shea is still the best in any debate. Oh! It is good to be a son of Erin... Vacations—Ellsworth Griffin went traveling in a new Ford... Ed Cook toured the East coast down to Florida... Bob Bligh traveled in his new Pontiac... Our two big promoters are Bernie Davignon and Milan Trimarchi. They are now working on a horse drawing contest—or it could be speed boats or hot-rods. Nothing serious though—just talk... Two members of the Greylock Flying Club are William Clifford and George Miller. George is a student at Massachusetts State and will soon return to his studies. His status at present—assistant cathode-boiler, so he says.

Sales

by "The Snoopers"

Madeleine Rougeau was a lovely maid of honor at her sister's wedding August 22... Terry Taft relaxed at home for a week of her vacation... Sandy Carleton spent her vacation as a Girl Scout counselor at Camp Eagle... Helen Bard from Adams, has moved from North Summer Street to Temple Street... Bill Rossell went to Haiti on his vacation. We understand you learned how to dance, Bill?... Sylvia Borowski's new "Cleopatra" hairdo is certainly very becoming to her... We will miss Sandy Patashnick and Chita Angeli who left sales to go back to school. Sandy is a sophomore and Chita is a freshman at the University of Massachusetts... Joe Mucha spent a week in his old hometown of Buffalo.

Advertising Ad Libs

by Versus

Charlie Wacker and Helen Goodermote have returned from their vacations. Charlie took a real vacation and stayed home. Helen stayed at Hampton Beach for a week. Which tribe do you belong to, Helen? What a tan!... Back to the office after a week in San Francisco at the Western Electronic Convention is Mr. Chertok. Ah! Sunny California! (That isn't exactly

the way he tells it)... Gangway, Long Island. Milt Cohen is on his way for a week and three days' vacation. Never thought you'd get away, Milt.

Sprague Products

by Shen & Lee

Jean Hayden is leaving for Hartford, Connecticut with her husband, Mike, who has obtained a permanent teaching job in the local high school. We are all sorry to see you go, Jean, but we extend to you our best wishes... Margaret Sweeney spent a very relaxing two week vacation at her home in Adams. She climaxed her vacation by going to Marlboro to her cousin's wedding. We understand she had a very nice time... We are glad to see Fran Therrian back at work after a leave of absence... Lorraine Lamoureux spent the week end at Lake George visiting her parents... We are glad to see that Janice Russett has found her glasses, maybe now she will be able to work again... We think Nancy Jones' haircut is very becoming to her... Betty Neveu received many lovely baby gifts last Friday. Betty has taken a leave of absence, and we will miss her.

Building 7 Offices

by Betty Bogus & Joan Paradis

Art White has left for North Carolina to act as Field Engineer. He will remain there during the major part of the construction of the new Sprague plant. Hurry back "Blinky", the office is awfully quiet... Donald Brierly was given a farewell party at Petey Dinks August 26. He is leaving Sprague to go to Cornell University. He was given a leather combination zipper ring book and brief case as a farewell gift. We will miss you Don, so be sure to come and see us when you are back in this vicinity... John Pierce spent his annual vacation at his camp in Maine... Congratulations to Norma Leary, a former co-worker, on the birth of a baby girl.

Production Engineering

by Doris Langer

Vacations—Ed Catotti, Mary Green and Jim Crawford spent their vacations at home... Barb Martin and Mary MacArthur went to New York City... Harold Farnum at Wellfleet, Cape Cod... Bill Ross, Brooklyn... Fran Cariddi in Connecticut... Doris Langer, Hampton Beach... Bob Kately, Birmingham, Vermont... Hilda Griffin at Lake Champlain... Peter Horbal, Milford Beach, Connecticut... Bob McPherson, New London and Ocean Beach, Connecticut... Mary Mirante, New York City and home... Bette Gray, Long Island Sound, Connecticut... Rita Bishop in Pittsfield... Hilda Griffin has a new Nash and Harold Rarick a DeSoto... Ernest Mason bought a house on the State Road... Bob Diodatti has been hospitalized, but is now convalescing at home... Lena Hurlbut's husband has arrived in Korea... Joan Blanchette has returned to work after her illness... Merritt Beverly's little boy has recovered from the chicken pox... Ann Gagnier and Marie Briggs have left to return to their teaching positions... Christine O'Connell has left to go to school... Ann Lefebvre spent the weekend in New York City.

Sympathy is extended to Corrine Gallup on the death of her father.

Flat Midget Assembly

by Carmie

Marlene Roy, Eva Daldoss and Amelia Couture are all on vacation... Bobbie Johnson is back from his vacation. He claims he had a nice time at

Saratoga... Clara Catotti and Rose Lancto are now working in Round Midget Assembly. We hope it will be soon, that you girls will be back working on our line... We noticed that Pat Leclare had her pony tail cut. You look like a different person now with your new hair-do, which is very becoming.

Shipping Department

by C. Trudeau

Congratulations to Alfred Bourdon, who has been made supervisor in the Shipping Department... Stan Pasierbiak (ALSO RAN STAN) is still trying to make a bundle on the ponies, but the darn nags will not cooperate... Lots of serious thinking is going on in the Heat Seal section. Ted Grogan is thinking of changing his brand of cigars... Vacations are in full swing in the Shipping Department. Jean Phelps and June Rock enjoyed a vacation at Hampton Beach and Worcester... Eileen Niles went to Rockaway Beach, New York... Cecile Trudeau spent her vacation at Ocean Beach, New London, Connecticut... Ernest Gregory is spending his vacation moving to a new apartment and going to the races at Saratoga. Caroline Moser and Gerald Cronin enjoyed their vacations resting at home... Claire Mancine spent a week end at Westerly, Rhode Island, and another week end at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire... June Pringle spent a week end in Hartford, Connecticut... Mildred Waterman spent a week end in Waterbury, Connecticut... Jeanette Krzeminski enjoyed a week vacation in New York and Greenfield... We are happy that Eileen Niles is convalescing following a recent appendectomy. Hurry and get well, Eileen... We all miss Hugh Blanchard, who has left to go back to his former position of meat inspector... Ted Grogan's dog "Master Mike" Jr. is a hunting dog, but we think it is a "sooner dog." Would rather lie down and sleep beside Ted... It is very nice to have Marceline Parrino and Christine Lang back to work... Our canary, Agnes Bolus, enjoyed Saturday at Saratoga. The horses did not win for her, but that did not keep our Agnes from singing... Jackie Powers had a wonderful time at the Kingston picnic with her husband, Fred, superintendent of the resistor line.

Round Midget Assembly

by Anon

Vacation time is still with us. Doris Gaudette was in New York... Madeleine Horrigan looking very rested after spending her time at home... Midge Valotta and family motored to Connecticut and Westfield, Massachusetts visiting relatives... Mae Hass is very happy on the arrival of a new granddaughter. Mae now has seven granddaughters and nine grandsons. The more the merrier!

Sympathy to Pauline Dupuis and family on the death of her mother, Mrs. Gertrude L. Bedard.

Small Order

by M & N

Girls and boys taking vacations are: Sally Roulier, Old Orchard, Maine; Paul LaPlante, Maine; Rose Tassone, Connecticut; Mary Dunaj, Hampton Beach; Eloise Brown, Connecticut; Claire Hurlbut at home; Arthur Mineau, Canada; Doris Horbal, Connecticut; Laura Sondrini at home... Theresa Pedercini was thrilled to receive a telephone call from her husband Louie, from Hong Kong, China.

Distaff Side

Social Notes

Fall Patterns Reflect Crisp Weather, New Energies



Basic and beautiful—the simple turtleneck dress with pleated skirt, pattern 4404. It comes in misses' sizes 12 to 20.



Cool weather combination that teams tweed and wool jersey. For evenings and warmer days the jumper can double as a dress. Pattern 4422 comes in junior and misses' sizes 11 to 18.



A swansong to summer—the last warm weather dress of the season with scoop neck, shirred sleeves. Pattern 4244 comes in misses' sizes 12 to 20.

Fall, being the most stimulating season of the year, is also the best time to create new and exciting additions to a wardrobe. The change in the weather brings on a boost in energy and the change in temperature calls for warmer clothes with a definite '53-'54 feeling.

Here are two fall suggestions to be stitched up on the machine, as well as a cool dress for those who anticipate a long Indian Summer.

The most useful dress for fall is one that has smart lines, makes a perfect background for accessories, but has an uncluttered look. Simplicity Printed Pattern 4404 is an ideal basic dress,

highlighted by turtleneck, $\frac{1}{2}$ sleeves and a skirt with unpressed pleats. It comes in misses' sizes, 12 to 20, 35c.

A tweed jumper is a very versatile wardrobe ingredient and printed pattern 4422 is especially becoming to slender figures. It is teamed with a simple wool jersey blouse that will go well with a variety of skirts. The scoop-necked jumper can also serve as a dress and if you're in the market for a party dress, you could make it in crisp faille or a brilliant shade of soft wool jersey. The pattern comes in junior and misses' sizes, 11 to 18, 35c.

If you want to feel feminine, as well

as cool, a printed sheer will do the trick. Printed pattern 4244 is just right for soft fabrics—it has a full skirt, scoop neck and shirred sleeves. The pattern comes in misses' sizes, 12 to 20, 35c.

It's a pleasure to sew and it's really simple, because every pattern piece is printed to show you what it is, where it goes on the fabric and notches point out exactly where each piece joins its mate.

Take advantage of cool weather zest, even if it just precedes an Indian summer hot spell, and turn out some smart clothes to finish the year.



Mrs. Jennie Paoletti, daughter of Mrs. Luigia Caprari of 107 Corinth Street, became the bride of John F. Rosse, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Rosse of 47 Walnut Street, at 10 o'clock August 1 in St. Anthony's Church. The bridegroom is employed in Maintenance.

Miss Rita Mae Bergeron of 259 River Street and Albert Harvey Chenail of 20 Frederick Street were married July 30 at the home of City Clerk Albert Fuller. The bride works in the Specification Engineering Office and the bridegroom in the Navy Department at the Marshall Street plant.

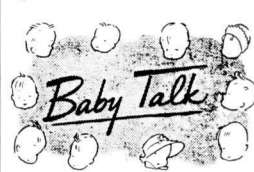
Miss Theresa Marie Rotolo, daughter of Mrs. Vincent Rotolo of 47 Veazie Street and the late Mr. Rotolo, became the bride of John Racette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Racette, of 114 Reed Street, at 9 o'clock August 1 in St. Anthony's Church. Theresa is employed in General Accounting.

Miss Pamela Clark and Mr. Arthur J. Christopher, Jr., were married at 4 o'clock August 22 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Williamstown. Pam works in the Employee and Community Relations Department and Chris is an engineer in the Research labs. Three of the ushers, Roland Dexter, Walter Lamphier and Ed Brislin, also are in Research and Engineering. Pam's father, Mr. Walter Clark, is head of Production Engineering.

Miss Sandra Rougeau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rougeau of 164 East Quincy Street, became the bride of Paul Bergeron, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bergeron of 195 North Summer Street, Adams, at 9 o'clock August 22 in Notre Dame Church. The bridegroom is a group leader in Molded

Tubular Finish.

Miss Carol Nailor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nailor of Troy, New York, became the bride of Victor Abate of 38 Bracewell Avenue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Alix of Green Island, New York, August 23 in Sacred Heart Church in Troy. Victor is an electrical engineer in the lab.



A daughter was born August 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Vitro of 24 State Road. Joe works in the Rolling Department at the Marshall Street plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry George of George Avenue are the parents of a girl born August 3. Margaret is employed at the Brown Street plant in the Rolling Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Hunicke of Talcott Road, Williamstown, are the parents of a daughter born August 11. Mr. Hunicke is in Planning and Methods.

A son was born August 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Armstrong of Middle Road, Clarksburg. Mr. Armstrong is in Test Equipment.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boucher of 80 Cady Street are the parents of a son born August 4. Bob works in Molding.

A daughter was born August 13 to Mr. and Mrs. Genesio A. Breda of 30 Folsom Street. Dorothy works in Sample.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Skorupski of 65 Melrose Street, Adams, August 3. Mrs. Skorupski is in Small Order.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vallieres are parents of a daughter born August 18. Mrs. Vallieres is the former Carol

Norman, who used to work in Sales.

A son, Peter Dwight, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bubriski of The Knolls, Williamstown, August 20. Mr. Bubriski is in Research and Engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Leary of Farview Heights, Clarksburg, became the parents of a daughter, Kathleen Ann, August 21. Tom is an engineer in the Transistor Laboratory and Norma is in Plant General.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Haas became the parents of a baby girl August 18. Mrs. Haas is the former Charlotte O'Brien of Miscellaneous Paper Finish.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vincenzo Corsi of 55 Furnace Street, August 24. Mary works in Paper Rolling.

Sergeant and Mrs. Carlton Hamilton are the parents of a son born August 22 at Mitchell Field Air Force Base. Mrs. Hamilton is the former Mabel Amos who worked in D. T. Assembly.

Anniversaries...

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clark, who celebrated their wedding anniversary September 3. Lila works in Dry Tubular Assembly.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sutliff, Jr., who celebrated their second wedding anniversary August 18. Kay is in Purchasing.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Miles, whose tenth wedding anniversary was celebrated August 28. Frances works in Paper Rolling.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Martel celebrated their thirtieth wedding anniversary August 27. May you have many more! Al is employed in the Ceramic Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Collins celebrated their thirteenth anniversary August 29. Beatrice works in the Ceramic Department.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. Talarico who celebrated their twelfth wedding anniversary August

Mary Timothy's Recipes . . .

SUMMER FRUIT PIES

Cherry-Pineapple Pie

1 No. 2 can pitted sour cherries
1 c. sugar
3 tbs. cornstarch
 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. cherry liquid
1 9 oz. can crushed pineapple
2 tbs. honey
1 tb. butter or margarine
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. red food coloring

Drain cherries, reserving liquid. Combine sugar and cornstarch in saucepan. Blend in cherry liquid. Add crushed pineapple and cook till thick and clear, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add honey and food coloring. Add cherries. Pour into 9 inch unbaked pastry shell. Cover with top crust. Crimp edges. Bake in hot oven (400°) 35-40 minutes.

Sour Cream Apple Pie

1 c. sour cream
2 tbs. flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. sugar
1 t. vanilla
1 egg
2 c. diced tart apples
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. salt

Beat together cream, sugar, flour, salt, vanilla and egg. Add apples. Pour into 8 inch unbaked pie shell. Bake in hot oven (400°) 25 minutes. Mix $\frac{1}{2}$ c. brown sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. flour and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. butter or margarine. Sprinkle on top. Bake 20 minutes more.

Spiced Peach Pie

$\frac{1}{2}$ c. sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. brown sugar

29. Mr. Talarico is head of the Shipping Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lincoln celebrated their twenty-third anniversary August 23. Velma is a supervisor in Miscellaneous Paper Finish and Charles works in the Test Department at the Marshall Street plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Goodwin celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary August 25. Verna works in Round Midget Assembly.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde LaRoche celebrated their sixth anniversary August 31. Agnes is employed in Round Midget Assembly.

Happy anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Sikorski, who celebrated their twentieth recently. Mrs. Sikorski works in Small Order.

Mr. and Mrs. William Noel celebrated their second anniversary August 18. Gert is in Miscellaneous Paper Finish.

Happy first anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walden, who celebrated theirs August 16. Millie works in Miscellaneous Paper Finish.



A shower was held August 5 at the home of Mrs. Beatrice Bissailon of 506 State Street in honor of Miss Carol Ritcher, daughter of Mrs. Ada Ritcher. The prospective bride received numerous gifts from the many friends and relatives present. Miss Ritcher and Francis Brazeau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brazeau of 47 Front Street will be married September 12. Fran works in the Can Shop.

The girls of the Industrial Oils recently held a miscellaneous shower for Dorothy Erdesky at the home of Evelyn Davis. Dot received many

2-3 tbs. flour
dash salt
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. cinnamon
2 tbs. lemon juice
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. nutmeg
 $\frac{1}{2}$ t. cloves
almond flavoring
1 t. grated lemon peel
5 c. fresh sliced peaches
2 tbs. butter

Mix sugar, flour, salt, spice, 2 drops of almond flavoring, lemon peel. Alternate layers of sugar mixture and peaches in 9 inch pastry lined pie plate. Sprinkle with lemon juice; dot with butter. Top with lattice crust. Bake in hot oven (400°) 45 minutes. Serve warm.

Submitted by Mary Timothy



Peg Morandi celebrated her birthday August 21 and Pat McCann hers August 23. Both Peggy and Pat work in Sales.

Lillian Boyer of Dry Tubular Assembly had a birthday September 3. Gladys Sullivan celebrated her birthday August 13.

August 18 was the birthday of Owen Dionne of Paper Rolling.

Al Bergeron recently celebrated his birthday. Al is the foreman of Paper Rolling.

July 29 was the birthday of Joseph Swistak. Joe works in Dry Test.

Congratulations to Bob Howard, who celebrated his birthday August 7. Bob is in Purchasing.

Doris Gaudette of Round Midget Assembly celebrated her birthday August 24.

Florence Marie Dean had her birthday August 27. Florence works in Round Midget Assembly.

Martha Clark celebrated her birthday recently, and to be different the girls in her department, Industrial Oils, had a birthday pie for her.

Harry Knapp and Helen Murphy both had birthdays recently. They work in Industrial Oils. Many happy returns to you.

Chuck Mulcahy, foreman of Metal Clad, observed his birthday August 25. He was presented with a cake and gift.

September 1 was the birthday of Joan Blanchette of Production Engineering.

Joan Andrews will celebrate her birthday September 5. Joan is in Production Engineering.

Roma King and her sister, Florence LaFreniere, have a good reason for a special celebration on their birthdays. They are both on the same day, September 6. Only a little difference of years. Both girls work in Industrial Oils Final Assembly.

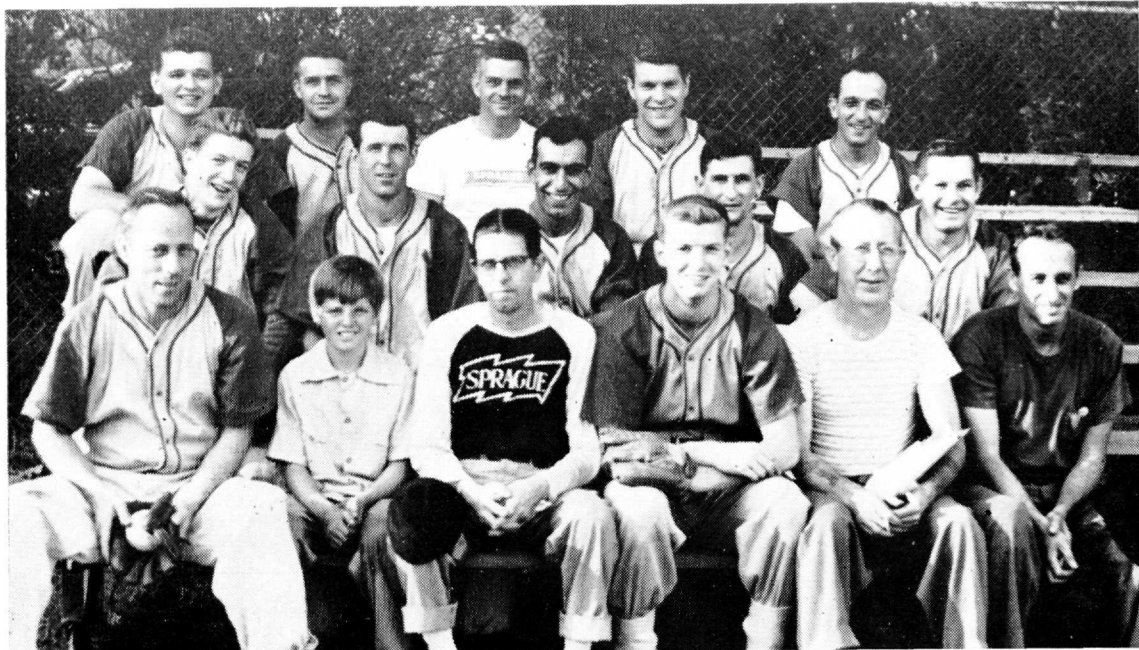
beautiful gifts. She is to be married to Robert Urquhart of Adams September 5 in St. Stanislaus Church.

A personal shower was given Roseann Vigna August 23 at the home of Miss Margaret Ferris. The guest of honor was presented numerous gifts from the many friends and relatives present. Roseann, who works in Paper Rolling, is to be married September 26 to John Shaker of KVA.

Dorothy Davison was feted at a bridal shower by members of her family at the home of Mrs. Charles Srama of 42 State Road. She received many gifts of silver, glassware and linen. Miss Davison and Theodore Brios will be married September 19.

Sports

by KENNY RUSSELL



Here are Sprague Electric's softball "champs": Front row: Frank Estes, left field; Red Harris, batboy; Sammy Dean, coach; Robert Mancini, third base; Orrie Roy, scorekeeper; Frank Santelli, coach.

Second row: Adrian Darling, outfield; "Tweedle" Zanette, center field; Ace Samia, player-manager; Guido Libardoni, pitcher; John Ariazi, catcher.

Third Row: Bob Kately, second base; "Allie" McPherson, shortstop; George Roy, pitcher; Dean Brown, first baseman; Henry Puppolo, right field.

Sprague Electric's Softball Team Wins Third Round, Heads Toward Championship

The Sprague Electric Company softball team came through in championship style in the 1953 season of the North Adams Independent Softball League as they captured two of the three rounds of league play.

The Electrics jumped off to a successful start, winning four straight games in the opening round of the league. Their only set-back in the first round was their defeat at the hands of the Rohane Oil Co. This defeat was avenged, however, as the Sprague team won both remaining games with Rohane.

The defeat, however, did make a playoff necessary in the opening round, but the Sprague outfit came through on top as they downed the strong Holy Name nine.

The success of the Electrics in the opening round of the league was due mostly to fine all-round play by all members and the fast ball pitching of their ace, Guido Libardoni. The clutch hitting of Dean Brown and Tiny Mancini was also a main contribution in the Electric's success.

The second round of the league, however, started badly, and the Sprague outfit seemed to slip fast. But after losing both of the opening games, the team quickly got back on its feet and came back with 3 straight wins to end up in second place.

The final round of the softball league was a tight race for the championship as all the teams in the pennant drive were playing top ball. It looked as though the menacing Rohane team would take the round championship. But the Electrics edged the Oil Company 6 to 4 and found themselves with another shot at winning a round. This they did by defeating the Holy Name again by the score 7 to 6.

In this final round of play, it was again Tiny Mancini, with the aid of clutch-hitting Ally McPherson, who led the team to victory. McPherson and Mancini batted in 23 and 20 runs, respectively, to lead the league in that department.

As for pitching, Libardoni paced the Electrics, ending with a 10-win and 2-lost record, best in the league.

Key plays by managers Sam Dean and Frank Santelli were an important part of the Sprague record and the coaching of Ace Samia was unequalled.

Thumbnail Sketches Of Sprague Team

Manager "Ace" Samia has had baseball experience in the traditional series pitting the State St. single men against the married. For the past several seasons "Ace" has organized the teams that have represented Sprague Electric in softball. His batting average for this season is .231.

Coach Frank Santelli is a true veteran of both baseball and softball. He managed semi-pro teams in Williamstown for years besides playing an active role in both sports. Batting average, .333.

Coach Sam Dean (the brain) is the "Dean" of the game, having played quite a number of years and his experience has been used to good advantage in piloting the club to its success this season.

Johnny Ariazi—catcher—is another veteran of the game, having seen considerable service with the champion Olympian and later Corner Cafe teams. A fiery catcher with a lot of savvy. Batting average .389.

Dean Brown—First baseman—is a big boy, a comparative youngster to the game, has used his height to good advantage at the initial sack. He has enjoyed a great year with the stick with a nifty .500 batting average to tie for leading hitter award with the Electrics.

George Roy—pitcher and second baseman—one of the old school and still propels the ball a country mile when his hefty swing connects. His pitching was always good and he has come through several times when the chips were down. Batting average, .267.

Bob Kately—second baseman—plays a steady game and is fifth in batting—hitting .389.

Because the second round of the league was won by the St. Francis' Holy Name squad, the Electric played this team last Tuesday for the League Championship. Results were not known at presstime. A single victory for the Sprague team would clinch the pennant, but the Holy Name outfit must down the Electrics twice to capture it.

By Fuad Ameen

"Allie" McPherson—shortstop—continues to play brilliantly as the years roll by. Steady, reliable and with a terrific, cat-like movement that makes his speed deadly in the field or on the base path. He is at the top in runs batted in and home runs. He clouted .387 during league play.

"Tiny" Mancini—third baseman—the baby of the team (in years that is) is third in team batting with a lusty .467. "Tiny" starred in basketball at Drury and later with C. Y. C. He is a real team man.

"Flash" Estes—left fielder—another dean of the sport who plays the game as sharp as a "fox". Make a mistake and "Flash" can be counted on to capitalize on it if he has the least opportunity. He batted .500.

"Tweedle" Zanette—center field—has had plenty of past experience with Sprague teams and Cornish Wire. A real hustler, and his spirit is always high. His batting average for this season is .298.

"Enrico" Puppolo—right fielder—at times his fielding is dazzling. "Mr. Television" can be counted on to come through. His batting average for this season is .353.

Guido Libardoni—pitcher—has the best won-lost record in the league and stands a good chance of winning the most valuable player award. He has done a yeoman job on the mound both as a starter and in relief. His bat has not been silent, either for he has a .326 average.

Reserves—Adrian Darling, with a .323 batting average this season, and Jimmy DeSanty have seen service. Adrian has capably replaced any player in the outfield.

Orrie Roy for years a follower of softball and a catcher in his own right—has been the Sprague official score keeper.

Fuad Ameen has done an outstanding job as chief statistician. The bat boy is "Red" Harris.

The Lighter Side

A real executive is a man who can hand back a letter for a third re-typing to a red-headed stenographer.

The wife who drives from the back seat isn't any worse than the husband who cooks from the dining-room table.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

Unless otherwise noted, call the LOG DESK if you are interested. Please notify us if you wish your classified advertisement to be cancelled; otherwise, we shall run it in three consecutive issues. If you wish to renew your advertisement, please call the LOG DESK.

RIDES WANTED

TO Brown St. plant mornings at 7 a.m. from Liberty St. Call N.A. 871. Alida Heath.

FROM Kemp Ave. to Brown St. plant—7 a.m. shift. Renelde Allard. Dial 49, Brown St. plant.

FROM Commercial St. or center of Adams to Marshall St. plant on the 8 a.m.—5 p.m. shift. Dial 521, Marshall St. plant—Helen Bard.

FROM Grove St., Adams for 11 p.m.—6 a.m. shift at Brown St. plant. Call collect Adams 1623. Ceil Risch.

FROM Kemp Ave. to Marshall St. plant 7 a.m.—5 p.m. shift. Dial 345, Marshall St. plant or call N.A. 3288-JK. Viola Dempsey.

FOR two people from East Road, Adams, to Marshall St. plant 6 a.m.—3:45 p.m. shift. Call Adams 60.

WANTED

CRIB, full-sized. Call N.A. 3617-M after 3:00 p.m. Dorothy Bastien.

TRUNK. Call N.A. 2594-R anytime after 5 o'clock. Jane Harding.

BABY SITTER from 7 a.m.—4 p.m. Contact Frances Miles of Paper Rolling, Beaver St. plant.

OLD HOT WATER TANKS—those ready to be thrown away. Dial 258, Marshall St. plant. Harry Brierley.

FOR SALE

TWO APARTMENT HOUSE. Each apartment has 5 rooms, modern and in good condition. Built in 1951. Contact Clyde Hirst, 125 Phelps Ave. North Adams.

BEAUTIFUL hand molded and hand painted vases, dishes, pixies, ashtrays, statues etc. All glossy finish. Just the ideal things for Christmas gifts. Moderately priced. Call N. A. 3511-W.

BOY'S BICYCLE, 28-inch, balloon tires. Good condition. Dial 383, Marshall St. plant.

WINCHESTER MODEL 70-220 Swift, with Lyman receiver sight and Weaver scope, 2½ power. All in excellent condition. \$100.00. Call N.A. 1891-M after 5 p.m.

PERFECTION 4-burner gas stove—apartment size. Oven and broiler. Used only one year. Dial 389, Marshall St. plant, or Williamstown 473-J.

DUPLEX HOUSE, 5 rooms each side. In excellent condition. One apartment ready for immediate occupancy. Located on State Rd. near Holy Family Church. Close to new school and parochial school. Call Jeff Barre, N. A. 2524-M after 6:00 p.m.

CHROME kitchen table with mother-of-pearl top of porcelain. Expansion leaf and cutlery drawer. Table in excellent condition and used only 3½ years. Chrome chairs to match also available. Further information Call N.A. 1338-J after 4:00 p.m.

ABC OIL BURNER. Used only one winter. For further information, call James Goeway. Dial 38, Brown St. plant.

DRAPES AND RODS, red monks cloth (3 pairs). One 4-jet gas stove, oven broiler and storage compartment, 1½ years old. Call at 1010 State Rd. or 1757-RK after 6:00 p.m.

30-30 CALIBER Winchester model 94 lever action carbine. Recently purchased. Has fired only 3 rounds. Complete with 1 box of shells, cleaning rod kit, and gun case. Call Donald Klammer, Adams 638-W or KVA Brown St. plant.

ONE PARLOR STOVE. Must be seen to be appreciated. Call N.A. 2116-J anytime.

1941 DODGE sedan. 1951 motor. Call N.A. 1757-WK after 5:00 p.m.

MAN'S SPIEDEL watch band (\$11.75). Will sell for \$5.00. Call N.A. 549-R anytime.

HOUSE, 6 rooms in Stamford. Automatic hot water heater, hot air heat, sun porch, redwood storm windows, spring water supply, 5 acres of land. On highway. Asking price is \$6,000.00. Call Stamford, Vt. 731-M2 or see John Hewitt, Formation Dept.

CLASS A outboard hydro-plane, with or without 10 H.P. Johnson motor. Free test trials. One Montgomery Ward trailer, racing vest and helmet and other racing accessories. Dial 396, Marshall St. plant or call N.A. 2797 after 5 o'clock.

GLENWOOD range, combination gas and oil. A-1 condition. Dial 260, Marshall St. plant. Henry Pepin, 16 Avon St. North Adams.

ONE DUO-THERM pot burner with large cubic ft. capacity. Equipped with electric flower. Reasonable. Call at 1010 State Rd. or Call N.A. 1757-RK.

BUILDING LOT, Jamieson Heights, Williamstown. Level, fine large elms, approximately 110 ft. by 210 ft. Dial 559, Marshall St. plant or Williamstown 836 RK Robert Koch.

WHITE PORCELAIN 48-inch double basin sink and set tub. Call N.A. 3373-M.

FULL-SIZE CRIB, a bathinette and a stroller. Also one parlor stove. Call Williamstown 684-M.

1940 FORD ½-ton panel truck for sale or for trade. Dial 327, Marshall St. plant.